

**Andrew Jackson to Andrew Jackson Donelson, January 21, 1824, from Correspondence of Andrew Jackson.
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TO ANDREW J. DONELSON.

Washington, January 21, 1824.

Dear Andrew, Your letter of the 6th instant is Just recd. I am glad to learn that my cotton in part will be shipped so early in this present month. I wish to have the debt due my friend Mr Nichols paid.

I hope you have made the necessary arrangements with him for this purpose—by directing the amount of sales of the cotton when made to be remitted to him, or direct to you at Nashville. The amount of Sales over the account of Mr Nichols I wish retained. its being in states notes, will be usefull on our Journey here next fall: I was charged 33 per cent advance on my Tennessee funds on my way hither at Abington. The Public lands in Alabama will not be sold this year, Therefore Mr Crawford will not be able to redeem his Pledge to his friends, but it is my opinion the[y] ought, the delay is injurious both to the country and to those who are waiting to purchase for settlement, as well as the Government.

The Intrigue is still going on here; but it will not avail, a letter from a gentleman of N. Carolina of the first respectability was shewn me today, who says if Pensylvania declares for me N Carolina is certain. This days mail brings intelligence of a meeting held at Philadelphia on Saturday last, where there were five standards hoisted, one having the name of each candidate. Mr C. Price writes me they were all deserted but one and that bore the insignia of Jackson. This being a trial at the place where the other candidate

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expected to make an impression on Pennsylvania, and at a time when all were invited to attend has cast the die, and has fixed Pennsylvania—and of course N Carolina—if Judge Murphys information is true. I found many gloomy faces today in the Senate Hall. It is said There is to be a *caucus*. This I cannot believe—but it is the last hope of the friends of Mr Crawford, and I have no doubt it will be attempted—with what success time will determine. But it appears to me that such is the feelings of the nation that a recommendation by a congressional caucus would politically Damn any name put forth by it. write me often and my D'r young friend be attentive to your aunt and write me often. I wrote you for copies of the Presidents letters to me on the subject of his cabinet in 1816, or early in 1817, and copies of my answers or letters to him recommending Colo Drayton of Charleston and Mr Adams. send me copies of all. your friend and affectionate uncle